

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: "Stephen M. Linscott" <linscot@rice.edu>
Subject: 833A Regen
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950801232238.11116A-100000@is.rice.edu>

I think I have finally tamed the beast! I went back to controlling=20
regeneration by varying the plate voltage. Added another RF choke and=20
capacitor in the B+ line. Raised the grid cap from 100 pf to 200pf,=20
and left the grid leak at 5 meg. This got rid of the motorboating, but=20
left me with fringe howl. Tried different resistors across the audio=20
xfmr secondary, but ended up putting a 15K across the primary! Now,=20
regeneration is much smoother, CW copy is possible, and plate voltage is=20
back to 90. Thanks to all for the many suggestions on things to=20
try. =20

73 de W5EGP

- Steve -

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* Steve Linscott Divisional Consultant Natural Sciences *
* IS User Services Rice University Houston, Texas *

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: w0ogh@ix.netcom.com (Larry Godek)
Subject: re: BA sightings
Message-ID: <199508021531.IAA12472@ix5.ix.netcom.com>

Several weeks ago on "Wings", not the one about military airplanes, I=20
saw what looked like an SX-24/SX-25 or something similar. Just a quick=20
shot of it. Has anyone else seen this one?

Larry W00GH

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: Thomas Bryan <tbryan@mailstorm.dot.gov>
Subject: BA spotting in Battlefield?
Message-ID: <199508021249.AA03995@mailstorm.dot.gov>

Hello All,

Does anyone know what the spy radio was that they showed in the the Norma=
ndy

episode of the Battlefield series? It looked like it was in a metal=20 typewriter case.

Thanks,

Tom Bryan
tbryan@mailstorm.dot.gov

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: MEC <danmec@inet.uni-c.dk>
Subject: Re: BA spotting in Battlefield?
Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9508021745.A3745-0100000@inet.uni-c.dk>

I have not seen the film, but a commonly used set in France was the socalled PARASET, which now is extremely rare (and expensive !)

73 rag OZ8R0

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> tbryan@mailstorm.dot.gov
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: adumas1@ix.netcom.com (Andrew Dumas)
Subject: BA Wanted/For Sale List
Message-ID: <199508021218.FAA21829@ix9.ix.netcom.com>

Response to the BA Wanted/For sale List has been good. The next=20 edition, which will be done by the weekend, will have many new entries=20 from around a dozen more BA group members.

If you'd like to send me your list to add to the BA Wanted/For sale=20 List, email it to: adumas1@ix.netcom.com.

I'll post when the next edition is available at theporch.com for=20 downloading.

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Andrew Dumas

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adumas1@ix.netcom.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: rblank@legend.txdirect.net (Richard A. Blank)

Subject: Re: BA/Enigma Spotting

Message-ID: <9508020321.AB06175@legend>

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rblank@txdirect.net

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: rblank@legend.txdirect.net (Richard A. Blank)

Subject: Re: BA/Enigma Spotting

Message-ID: <9508021316.AA15118@legend>

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>> San Antonio, Texas 78212 rblank@txdirect.net
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From: MEC <danmec@inet.uni-c.dk>
Subject: Re: BA/Enigma Spotting
Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9508021741.A3745-0100000@inet.uni-c.dk>

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I have a R1155 receiver surplus to requirments, if anybody is interested.

73 =20

Rag 0Z8R0

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: kevin@beacons.cts.com (Kevin Sanders)
Subject: Re: Ban the Beep
Message-ID: <m0sdTcB-000Hv1C@beacons.cts.com>

> Now you have me thinking of ways to send MCW on the net. What I heard w=
as=20
> a very long DASH. Reason, There were lots of control g's So how abou=
t
> a dot being one ^G and a dash being several ^G's??? Shucks, they are no=
w=20
> talking and playing over the internet. Why not some MCW??????? =
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Hehe...on a related note ;-) I have set up a program on my workstation
at work to monitor incoming email from my coworkers, and output their log=
in
name in CW on the computer speaker. Folks think it a bit strange, but
I know who is sending me email while I'm working on other stuff, while
they have to actually look in their mailboxes.

73,

Kevin Sanders, KN6FQ (SDG)
kevin@beacons.cts.com

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: Dave Horsfall <dave@esi.COM.AU>
Subject: Re: CB recycling
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.950802183059.14228L-100000@eram.esi.com.au>

On Thu, 27 Jul 1995, Dick Dillman wrote:

> But say, do you notice something strange about these calls? They=20
> don't comply with the ITU regulations for radio call signs since they=20
> don't begin with the country designator. [...]

Interesting - Australia followed the same path. We lost 11m to CB
around 1976 (but picked up WARC in 79 or so); I admit I was a CBer
then. My callsign was NAA942 - N for the state of NSW, and the AA942
for the sequence (AA000 - ZZ999). Year before last, the Dept changed
to ITU prefixes, thus new callsigns were e.g. VHNB123 or something.

Last year, they scrapped CB licences entirely, giving up \$6,000,000

(at \$18 each) - they reckoned it cost too much to administer.

This year, they just about doubled our Amateur tickets, to \$51, to collect about \$900,000 (the rise is unashamedly a tax).

Go figure.

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Dave Horsfall (VK2KFU) | dave@esi.com.au | VK2KFU @ VK2AAB.NSW.AUS.OC | P=GP 2.6

Opinions expressed are mine. | D8 15 71 F9 26 C8 63 40 5E 63 5C 65 FC A0=22 99

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: Rolf.Jansson@stax.slu.se (Rolf Jansson)

Subject: Collins Mech Date

Message-ID: <9508021051.AA01122@nana.slu.se>

Anyone having the exact reading of the label on the mech filter in the R-390a ,type , what stands for date,type khz and so on

Regards Rolf

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: "Tony Stalls (K4KY0)" <j38@clark.net>

Subject: Donating QST's

Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.91.950802094538.16425L-1000000@clark.net>

On Tue, 1 Aug 1995, Conard Murray wrote:

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> >Hi Conard,=20

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> >I'm planning a trip through in the next few weeks. I hope to stop off

> >in Cookeville and hopefully vist the Tennessee Tech club station. I

> >beleive it's in Prescott Hall. I'd like to ask somebody what happened=

to
> >the QST's from 1956-1963 I donated too. ;-) (We already know the ARRL
> >Handbooks disappeared.)
=>20
> Well, the QSTs were sold off as far as I know. There may be some around=
here
> and there. (All this took place after I graduated).

My intent was to help build a library of back issues for the Tech amateur
radio club, but if they were sacrificing them to help finance the station=
,
I suppose that I can live with that. However, this underscores the
futility of donating QST's, etc. to libraries. If ham clubs don't even
keep them, how could we expect a public library to do so?=>20

73,
Tony
K4KY0

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: "Tony Stalls (K4KY0)" <j38@clark.net>
Subject: FAR Fest Cookout
Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.91.950802113304.12616A-100000@clark.net>

=>20
The Foundation for Amateur Radio's "FAR Fest" night-before cookout on
September 9 at the Montgomery County (Maryland) Fairgrounds is on! I hav=
e
gotten permission from the committee chairman and he has reserved a place
for us adjacent to the site where the AM International vintage radio
demonstration will be set up.=>20

=>20
I will be working at the FAR Fest as a volunteer helping set up that=>20
Saturday, so I'll be there all day. We have the site starting at 4:00PM,=
=>20
so you can come any time after that. If you want to volunteer to help=>20
out with setting up, let me know and I'll throw your name in the hat too.

=>20
This is a bring your own plus something to share cookout. I have a small
(bachelor size) Weber grill that I can bring, but that won't be nearly
large enough. If you can bring a grill, let me know.=>20

Here's another possibility. We can keep the place for the FAR Fest, so i=

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you want to set up a table to show off BA's or sell stuff, we can do that=
.=20

We'll have to figure a way to keep somebody "on duty" all the time, but
that shouldn't be a problem.

=20

73,

Tony

K4KY0

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: HAMRLUND@aol.com

Subject: FS: REMAINING, CQ, QST=20

Message-ID: <950802100257_128622926@aol.com>

Have the following totals left:

all prices are plus shipping.

qst =3D 39 \$39.00 =20

qst used =3D 19 \$10.00

cq =3D 191 \$191.00

cq used =3D 24 \$12.00

radio =3D 3 \$3.00

73 =3D 4 \$4.00

73 used 55 \$28.00

ham radio =3D 50 \$50.00

h r used =3D 9 \$5.00

hr bound 1970,71,72 \$45.00

ham radio horizons used 15 =3D 15.00

The total cost for all the above is \$402.00 ...or make reasonable
offer..... your getting 445 magazines

I really need to move these, help me out...

contact

robert fowle

1215 winifred

jackson, mich. 49202-1946

517-789-6721

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: HAMRLUND@aol.com
Subject: Fwd: fs / trade: HQ-180C
Message-ID: <950802113540_46231941@aol.com>

Forwarded message:

From: HAMRLUND@aol.com
Sender: boatanchors@theporch.com
Reply-to: HAMRLUND@aol.com
To: boatanchors@theporch.com (Multiple recipients of list)
From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: William Michels <michewh@pb.com>
Subject: Re: G5RV references?
Message-ID: <Pine.ULT.3.90.950802083506.4178A-100000@micro2>

On Wed, 2 Aug 1995, MEC wrote regarding journal article request:

> Why not go to the source : RSGB ?
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> 73 Rag OZ8R0

Do you have an e-mail address for the RSGB?

Yesterday, after some more research at the library, I was able to find the regular mail address for the Radio Society of Great Britain. If the copies are not available from a Boatanchors list member, contacting RSGB seems to be my last resort. From what I can gather, they seem to be somewhat similar to the ARRL and the RSGB Bulletin appears to be the former name of the Radio Communication periodical.

I think the articles I need are available from CARL Uncover, but I believe they charge about \$13 per article, which is far too much for me.

Best Regards,

Bill Michels
michewh@pb.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: MEC <danmec@inet.uni-c.dk>
Subject: Re: G5RV references?

Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9508021709.A3745-0100000@inet.uni-c.dk>

> On Wed, 2 Aug 1995, MEC wrote regarding journal article request:

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> > 73 Rag OZ8RO

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NO, but their fax is 44 - 1707 645105

Phone no ---- 44-1707-659015.

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> Bill Michels

> michewh@pb.com

> RadCom was previously called The RSGB Bulletin. An excellent magazine
> and worth subscribimng to !

73 Rag OZ8RO

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: "Barry L. Ornitz" <ornitz@EMNGW1.emn.com>

Subject: Re: Germanium Power Devices (Oliver Germanium)

Message-ID: <Pine.ULT.3.91.950802093606.24968B-1000000@dua150.kpt.emn.com>

In case particular parts are needed, I have a large collection of=20 germanium devices including a number of high power devices like those=20 used in many DC-DC supplies for later model tube rigs.

Germanium Power Devices is an excellent company to work with. I still=20 have a number of their ads featuring "Oliver Germanium". In case this=20 austere group wonders just how ugly I am, I could pass for Oliver's twin=20 brother. A number of friends who saw the ads thought it was me.

I always liked his sense of humor, for example the ad that said "Sales agents throughout the free world - and in many right-wing dictatorships." =09

73, Barry WA4VZQ ornitz@eastman.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: wendler@tomcat.adc.ray.com (John Wendler)
Subject: Germanium power devices and a bad sunburn
Message-ID: <9508020349.AA15847@tomcat.adc.ray.com>

Pardon the weird format of this missive, if any,
I am not using my usual terminal and have to
go through several computers to get to my
workstation. I am also in the severe itch
phase of my (bad) vacation sunburn and not
fully responsible for my words. =20

Anyway, I have recently had occasion to examine some
Germanium power transistors, Icmax=3D30A variety. The=20 interesting thing was that the usual ohmmeter junction tests gave a false reading of a short. The junction area on these devices (2N2156/7) is apparently large enough to show a leakage current of ~8 ma at 1.5 V, thus giving the false reading. The best way to check these kind of power devices is with a curve tracer... or home brew equivalent. I will be wary of testing power Silicon devices in the future as well, despite the higher bandgap.

I have also had cause to track down replacement Germanium devices recently. A customer support rep at a major semiconductor company, no longer in the business, gave me the following list of possible suppliers. I have had personal experience with Germanium Power Devices - good guys, but watch out for the \$100 min order if you are buying small quantities. They are right down the street from me - I have met "King Oliver Germanium" in his parking lot if anyone remembers that ad campaign in the trade rags. Time

for a disclaimer: I have no idea what Raytheon thinks of any of these guys; my experience is personal, only, and I have not tried out any of the other sources.

Germanium Device Sources

American Micro
201-377-9566

Crimson Semi
212-947-3147

Germanium Power Devices
300 Brickstone Sq. York St., Box 3065 SVS
Andover, MA 01810-3065
508-475-5982 (\$100 min order)

Rick Kassiotas
Bill Dawson
Oliver O. Ward, President
Rufus Ward

Semi Inc.
407-842-0305

Well, 'nuff said tonight. I can now enjoy the fruits of my foolishness at the beach with my fair Irish skin (Thanks, Mom!) -- at least I am not hallucinating bats beneath the bench or insects on my skin to go with it. Take a tip from me, and use the PF 15 sunblock next time you are at the beach!

Yours in twist and shout,
John

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John P. Wendler, P.E. e-mail: wendler@tomcat.adc.ray.com
Raytheon Advanced Device Center phone: 508-470-9433 =20
358 Lowell St. fax: 508-470-9345=20
Andover, MA 01810 Callsign: N5CQU

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: Grant Youngman <gyoungma@gtetel.com>
Subject: Re: haggling/make offer=20
Message-ID: <Chameleon.950801231642.gyoungma@>

>Ahhhhh yessssss.....you actually can SEE the stuff with your own=20
>eyes. You may not be able to attest to it's electrical condition,but=20
>you sure as heck can see it...look at it...inspect it. It's not like=20
>buying on the 'net or packet or ER ad or BA-list when the
>good 'ol boy sez "face good" "excellent condition" "best one of these=20
>I've ever seen (sic)" and the damn thing shows up beat to shit and=20
>filthy to boot!!!!!! I've FINALLY learned my lesson....I hope.
>
>73 de Dan -- WA0JRD ..

There are some sellers around who have given the term "collector quality"=
a=20
whole new meaning. When I hear that description given to a sight-unseen =
item,=20
I turn tail and RUN unless I'm in the mood for a major restoration projec=
t. =20
I may purchase items that require a lot of work and loving care to get th=
em=20
functional and looking good. But untouched, a room full of "collector=20
quility" gear would likely be a room full of junk.

A fairly recent article in ER was about a "collector quality" Collins pie=
ce=20
that seemed to meet the "beat to shit and filthy to boot" description qui=
te=20
well :-)

Grant/NQ5T gyoungma@gtetel.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: Rolf.Jansson@stax.slu.se (Rolf Jansson)
Subject: mod stamps on/in my R-390A
Message-ID: <9508021046.AA01050@nana.slu.se>

Hi folks anyone knowing anything about the stamps in/on my
R-390A (EAC), anyone having any details on mods after/before 1961,1968 or

perhaps those made 1984 ??, I am very interested to know everything back on
forward on my R-390A, and if anyone could even get me copies!!!
Regards Rolf

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: FRANCIS4@AppleLink.Apple.COM (Francis, Dexter)
Subject: One tube TX 4 U
Message-ID: <807342942.9699817@AppleLink.Apple.COM>

Ed -
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My copy of "How to become a Radio Amateur" (1967) has a one tube (6DQ6A)
transmitter, two tube (6AQ5) regen receiver and one tube (5Y3GT) power su=
pply
project in it. The article says it's good for 25 watts...
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E mail with postal address if you'd like a photo copy.
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BTW - The Drake microphone was an Electrovoice EV 729 and cost \$15 back t=
hen...
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-df
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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: "Tony Stalls (K4KY0)" <j38@clark.net>
Subject: QCWA Members/Others May Ignore
Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.91.950802022800.5499D-100000@clark.net>

If you're a QCWA member, please send me an e-mail. Include your chapter
number if you have one.=20

Thanks & 73,
Tony Stalls, K4KY0

VP, Chapter 91

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: dma@IslandNet.com (Jan Skirrow)
Subject: Re: R-390A Dial lamps
Message-ID: <m0sdgMC-0005Y5C@island.amsi.bc.ca>

They are type 328. My R-390A runs the two in parallel from the 6.3vac bus through a 2.7 ohm resistor. With this voltage drop the 328s should last awhile. Mine didn't and I haven't found a source! What seems easy to come= by is the 28volt version of this lamp. Anyone have a source for the 5 volt 3= 28??

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: bill@texan.frco.com (William Hawkins)
Subject: SSB converter manuals
Message-ID: <9508020344.AA04681@texan.frco.com>

Fair Radio has them for sale as partial repros. I've found their partial repro to be useful in the past. They offer:

CV-157 \$20
CV-591 \$10
CV-1758 \$10

Call 'em at 419 227-6573 and have a credit card ready.

The way I figger it, if I can't buy one, maybe I can build one (using parts from boatanchor test equipment, which still seems to be available, although there were no offers of a parts HP200AB).

Bill Hawkins bill@bvc.frco.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: bill@texan.frco.com (William Hawkins)
Subject: Taking polls
Message-ID: <9508020412.AA04708@texan.frco.com>

I haven't responded to the 8 question poll on computer capability that would tell us more about how to exchange drawings, because it's

too much work (yeah, right, but you don't mind posting stuff ...). How about posting an article that describes what you want to learn, and maybe why we'd want to respond. Pose a multiple choice question, then post a message whose subject is one of the choices, with no (or a very small) body to the message. Then all we have to do is reply to the message with the choice that fits. On my Unix machine, I just hit "R" to generate a reply message with an "Re: ..." in the subject line. Then Control D terminates the message and Enter sends it. So with 3 keystrokes, I can tell you what my choice is. Other technologies may require other keystrokes - YMMV.

You, as the poll_or, save the reply messages from us, the poll_ees, in one file. When the torrent (good luck) dies to a trickle, use the Unix 'grep' (or equivalent) to extract just the subject lines for one of the choices, then count the lines. Repeat until you have your results.

For example, the computer capability question could be posed as:

Access to a 286 or less

Access to a 386

Access to a 486

Access to a Pentium or greater

Mac users would respond with the equivalent capability of their PC emulation package :-)

For this method to work without overloading theporch.com, almost all of us must know how to reply to the sender, and not the entire list. Maybe I should take a poll :-)

Bill Hawkins bill@bvc.frco.com

From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: jproc@worldlinux.com

Subject: RE: Taking polls=20

Message-ID: <Chameleon.4.01.2.950902103053.jproc@>

>

>I haven't responded to the 8 question poll on computer capability
>that would tell us more about how to exchange drawings, because it's
>too much work strokes <rest of message truncated for brevity>=20

Bill,

Did you leave all of the 'smileys' out of your post intentionally? I have=to=20

admit, that it provided me with some humor with my morning coffee. In the=

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rare event that this was a serious post, I'm at a loss to figure out how =
any=20

meaningful results can be accomplished by turing a simple task into a com=
plex=20

problem. Now, a sub-committee will have to be formed to determine the=20
standards for the multiple choice panels and screen formats, screen=20
colours, ease of use and compliance with applicable CCITT standards. Time=
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lines will have to be drawn up to determine release dates for alpha and b=
eta=20

testing to ensure complete user satisfaction:-):-)=20

In all seriousness, only those folks who are sincerely interested in draw=
ing=20

exchange will actively participate in the excercise. I am still wagering =
that=20

the number of individuals who are 'drawing exchange ready' based on the=20
upscale Postscript solution tabled by Bill Emery will be so minimal that =
it=20

will not be meaningful to the group as a whole. =20

Hey, Jack Taylor - How many people have responded to the computer resource=
s=20

poll so far?=20

Regards,

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995

From: jproc@worldlinx.com

Subject: Tube Typos

Message-ID: <Chameleon.4.01.2.950902104522.jproc@>

Dear BA's,

Very often when I composing an Email message, I make a typo and the word=20
'tube' is displayed as 'tune' because the B and V keys are so close on th=
e=20

keyboard. I suddenly realized that by substituting the word 'tune' for 'tube' in a sentence that refers to firebottles, you can get some pretty funny statements.

A bit of trivia for a hot August day.

Regards, =20

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From boatanchors@theporch.com Wed Aug 2 12:25:00 1995
From: djw@unlinfo.unl.edu (daniel wright)
Subject: VTVM info needed
Message-ID: <9508021515.AA11098@unlinfo.unl.edu>

Greetings!

Whilst scrounging around in the mass of "stuff" that I have stored, rat-holed, and otherwise waiting for the aquisition of a QTH with more room, I stumbled (literally) across this device and was wonderin' if any of the august assembly had any info...or know where I might look. It was manufactured by:

Precision Apparatus Co., Inc.
Elmhurst, New York

It's a "Vacuum Tube Multi-Range Tester" model EV-10, serial number 11442. 'Looks to me like an ancient vacuum tube voltmeter of some sort. I would very much appreciate any info on this device or the company that made it. I don't have a manual or any paperwork at all. I would love to get a manual/schematic for this beast!!!! Thanks a bunch.....

73 de Dan -- WA0JRD ..
djw@unlinfo.unl.edu